

a continuous curved surface extending from said upper edge of said first planar surface to said front edge of said second planar surface;

said curved surface having a convex configuration adjacent said upper edge adapted to support the legs of a user in a generally upright position and a concave configuration extending continuously with said convex configuration ending at said front edge and tapering to form a thin lower portion of said pillow to simultaneously maintain the buttocks of a user in an elevated position.

15. A device for enabling a female user to comfortably retain after sexual intercourse a position that will enhance the likelihood of becoming pregnant comprising:

a continuously extending curved surface including a concave lower section for placement beneath the buttocks of a user to maintain the hips of said user in an elevated position; and a convex upper section extending continuously upwardly from said lower section for at least 16 inches and cooperating therewith to support the legs of said user in a generally upright position.

16. A postcoital positioning device for maintaining a female user after sexual intercourse in a position for achieving conception having a continuously extending curved surface comprising:

a concave lower portion to be placed beneath the buttocks of a user to maintain the hips of said user in a raised position; and

a convex portion extending from said lower portion to maintain the legs of said user in a generally upright position while said buttocks are supported upon said lower concave portion;

said concave portion terminating in a thin lower portion for facilitating placement thereof beneath said buttocks.

17. A device for postcoital positioning of female user comprising:

a continuously extending curved surface, said curved surface being formed with a concave lower portion for placement beneath the buttocks of a user to support said buttocks and having a width sufficient to maintain the hips of said user in an elevated position, and a convex upper portion contiguous with said lower portion and extending upwardly there from when said device is in use a distance sufficient to maintain the legs of said user in an upwardly directed position while said buttocks are supported upon said lower portion.

18. A device for postcoital positioning of a female user comprising a continuously extending curved surface having concave lower means with a wedge shaped thinning configuration for elevating the buttocks of said user and convex upper means cooperating with said concave lower means for simultaneously supporting the legs of said user in a generally upright position.

19. A device according to Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 comprising a base member made of foam rubber.

20. A device according to Claim 19 comprising a removable cover extending about said foam rubber base member and enclosing said base member therein.

21. A device according to Claims 14,15,16,17, or 18 comprising a width of between 14 an 18 inches and a height of between 16 and 20 inches.

22. A device according to Claim 14 wherein said first planar surface and said second planar surface have a width of between 14 and 18 inches; wherein said first planar surface has a height of between 16 and 20 inches; wherein said second planar surface has a depth of between 18 and 25 inches; said device further comprising a thickness extending between said first planar surface and said curved surface of between 8 and 12 inches.

23. A device according to Claims 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, or 22 comprising a pair of handles located on opposite sides thereof to facilitate use of said device.

24. A device according to Claim 14 wherein said concave configuration tapers toward said front edge to meet said second planar surface to form therewith said very thin lower portion.

25. A device according to Claim 19 comprising a pair of handles located on opposite sides thereof to facilitate use of said device.

26. A device according to Claim 21 comprising a pair of handles located on opposite sides thereof to facilitate use of said device.

REMARKS

Claims 14 through 26 currently appear in the application.

The Examiner is thanked for the courtesy of the telephone interview granted applicant's attorney. During the interview the structure and function of the invention were discussed as well as the wording of the claims. The Examiner indicated that patentable subject matter appears in the application and that if the structural features providing this patentable subject matter were to be more appropriately reflected in the claims, the application would be placed in condition for allowance.

More specifically, the Examiner referred to portions of the specification wherein there is described the curved surface extending continuously from the upper edge 16 to the front edge 20 and which includes the upper convex section 26 and the lower concave section 28.

The Examiner indicated that this structure distinguished the present invention from the prior art and contained patentable subject matter.

The claims in the application have been rewritten in view of the results of the interview with the Examiner and it is believed that, in their present form, they

reflect the result of the interview and, consequently, contain patentable subject matter.

Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the present amendment places the application in condition for allowance and, accordingly, entry of the present amendment and allowance of the application is hereby respectfully solicited.

It is respectfully suggested that should the Examiner require any further action from applicant, applicant's attorney be contacted at the phone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the preceding Amendment responding to the Official Action dated November 22, 2004 in application Serial No.10/775,696 was sent to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by facsimile transmission at fax phone number 703-872-9306 on February 3, 2005.

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